

From St. Bernard to Iberia Parish and all the way south to Port Fourchon, projects important to the people of the Third Congressional District get well-deserved federal support through the annual federal appropriations bills. Member appropriations -- sometimes referred to as "earmarks" -- allow Louisianans to bypass agency bureaucrats in Washington and go directly to their elected representatives to secure federal funding for important projects in their communities.

The [member appropriations](#) I have worked to secure for Louisiana support a wide range of important priorities in our state. This funding will help build and upgrade levee systems, maintain and improve waterways and roads, fight serious diseases like cancer, and bolster south Louisiana industries like shrimping, sugarcane production, and alligator farming -- all unique and vital parts of our economy. The Louisiana delegation has worked together to fund these important needs, and we will continue to team up to support our state and protect its future.

For your information, below is a list of the earmarks I requested from the House Appropriations Committee for Fiscal Year 2011, categorized by applicable Appropriations Bill.

-Agriculture-

Nicholls State University Institute for Floodplain Ecology

Nicholls State University

906 East 1st Street, Thibodaux, LA 70301

\$1,850,800

Funding will establish a multidisciplinary institute at Nicholls State University that will conduct research on floodplains to provide solutions to land loss and flood protection problems.

Green Energy Sugarcane

USDA-ARS - Sugarcane Lab

5883 USDA Road, Houma, LA 70360

\$2,000,000

Funding will be used to develop a bioenergy version of sugarcane.

ARS Sugarcane Laboratory Construction

USDA - Sugarcane Lab

5883 USDA Road

Houma, LA 70360

\$23,000,000

Funding will be used to co-locate the ARS Sugarcane Research Laboratory and ARS office in Houma, LA with their existing research farm.

ISSC vibrio vulnificus education

Gulf Oyster Industry Council

P.O. Box 3916

Houma, LA 70361

\$1,000,000

Funding will be used for consumer education programs focused on the reduction of illnesses and deaths associated with *Vibrio vulnificus* in shellfish.

Pennington Biomedical Research Center Delta Obesity Project

Pennington Biomedical Research Center

6400 Perkins Rd.

Baton Rouge, LA 70808

\$1,000,000

Funding will be used to conduct research that focuses on obesity prevention in the Lower Mississippi Delta of Arkansas, Louisiana, and Mississippi.

U.S. ARS Laboratory, Canal Point, FL

U.S. Agricultural Research Laboratory at Canal Point Florida

12990 US Hwy 441 N

Canal Point, FL 33438

\$5,000,000

Funds will be used for construction and expansion of the USDA Agricultural Research Service Sugarcane Field Station at Canal Point, FL, which coordinates research with the ARS Sugarcane Research Lab in Houma, LA.

Aflaxatoxin Mitigation Center of Excellence

LSU AgCenter

PO Box 25203

Baton Rouge, LA 70894

\$5,000,000

Funds will be used for research to help corn farmers reduce Aflaxatoxin contamination and prevent waste.

Fresh Fruit and Vegetable Program for Childhood Obesity Prevention in Louisiana

LSU AgCenter

PO Box 25203

Baton Rouge, LA 70894

\$1,448,210

Funds will be used to establish and implement a healthy fruit and vegetable snack and school garden program in low-income schools to reduce childhood obesity.

Tillage, Silviculture, Waste Management, LA

LSU Ag Center

POBox 25203

Baton Rouge, LA 70803

\$500,000

This special grant addresses critical environmental concerns in Louisiana to improve soil

conditions by reducing tillage, and waste runoff to preserve economic crop value, and generate additional revenue.

Wetland Plants, LA

LSU Ag Center

PO Box 25203

Baton Rouge, LA 70803

\$1,462,453

Funding for the Coastal Plants Program to genetically improve native plant species to develop superior varieties/populations to aid restoration and protection of wetlands.

West Nile Virus Disease Prevention, Louisiana Department of Wildlife and Fisheries

La Dept of wildlife and Fisheries Baton Rouge La

2415 Darnall Rd.

New Iberia, LA 70560

\$250,736

Funding will be used to continue the study of several infectious diseases and parasites harmful to and transmitted by alligators and alligator habitats.

Catholic Charities, Food for Families Louisiana Distribution equipment and facilities project

Catholic Charities

1000 Howard Ave, Suite 800

New Orleans, LA 70113

\$2,000,000

Food for Families provides critical nutrition and safety services to underserved and low income elderly people in Louisiana. Funding will be used to purchase equipment and to refurbish facilities.

Formosan Subterranean Termites Research, New Orleans, LA

LSU Ag Center

PO Box 25203

Baton Rouge, LA 70560

\$3,490,000

Combats Louisiana's Formosan subterranean termite problem via research, educational programs, and funding for extermination activities.

Armenco Canal Drainage

City of New Iberia

457 E Main St., New Iberia LA 70560

\$2,200,000

Funding would go toward construction of a subsurface drainage system from the Armenco Canal in the West End Park area of the city.

-Commerce, Justice, Science-

Institute for Seafood Studies

Nicholls State University Department of Biological Sciences

167 Elkins Hall

P.O. Box 2083

Thibodaux, LA 70310

\$1,200,000

Nicholls State University will utilize this funding to create an Institute for Seafood Studies to increase and coordinate research related to the sustainable fisheries and seafood industries.

St. Martin Sheriff CIT Program

St. Martin Parish Sheriff

P.O. Box 247

St. Martinville, LA 70582

\$187,954

Training for law enforcement officers to initiate interventions to safely and respectfully address the needs of persons experiencing mental health crises.

CREST Program Competitive Grants and Science Support

Coastal Restoration and Enhancement Through Science and Technology

Room 3135, Energy, Coast, & Environmental Building

Baton Rouge, LA 70803

\$1,800,000

Funding will support support researchers, scientists, and graduate and post-doctoral students at member and partner institutions as they build a body of science that can inform and advance coastal restoration.

Facility Relocation from Mississippi River Gulf Outlet

Louisiana Department of Transportation and Development

1201 Capitol Access Road

Baton Rouge, LA 70802

\$36,000,000

For relocation of facilities located along the waterway known as Mississippi River Gulf Outlet (MRGO) after its closure.

The Louisiana Intensive Supervision and Support Program (ISSP) for Court-Referred Youth

Youth Advocate Programs, Inc.

2007 North Third Street

Harrisburg, PA 17102

\$500,000

The Intensive Supervision and Support Program will recruit community members to supervise and support high-risk youth in the Thibodaux, Louisiana, area.

Enhancing Safety and Protecting the Trust of Jeanerette/Ward 3

Jeanerette City Marshall

511 Canal Street, Suite B, P.O. Box 268

Jeanereete, LA 70544

\$110,200

For combating crime, improving law enforcement investigations, jail operations, and training and technical assistance.

Shrimp Industry Fishing Effort Research Continuation

National Marine Fisheries Service (NOAA)

Southeast Fisheries Science Center

4700 Avenue U

Galveston, TX 77551

\$700,000

The National Marine Fisheries Service will conduct research to promote the economic well-being of Gulf fisheries and assist the industry in achieving federal statutory and regulatory fishery conservation compliance.

-Labor-HHS-Education-

Boys Town Louisiana

Boys Town Louisiana

700 Frenchman Street

New Orleans, LA 70116

\$140,000

Boys Town Louisiana will use these funds to continue and expand the current programs to serve more children who are currently in the child welfare and juvenile justice systems. These services will include mental health treatment, substance abuse treatment, and treatment of learning disabilities.

Louisiana Rural Literacy Program

Save the Children, US Programs

8025 Saint Charles Avenue

New Orleans, LA 70118

\$250,000

Funds provided will expand Save the Children's rural literacy program in St. Martin, Washington, and Tangipahoa Parishes; the program provides for four hours of structured reading practice a week, small group tutoring, and semi-annual testing.

St. Bernard Health Center Medical Equipment Project

St. Bernard Health Center, Inc.

7718 West Judge Perez

Arabi, LA 70032

\$750,000

Funds will be used to provide St. Bernard Health Center with medical equipment to support the current operations of the Center and the future development of a permanent 40-bed facility.

Cancer Technology Acquisition

Terrebonne Medical Cancer Center

8166 Main St
Houma, LA 70360
\$3,000,000

Funds will be used for equipment and technology for a newly-opened cancer treatment facility at Terrebonne General Medical Center to provide a more regional approach to cancer care, serving more than 250,000 people.

-Defense--

Spectrum Liquid Battlefield Sterilant and Disinfectant

Louisiana State University System Research and Technology Foundation

101 Louisiana Emerging Technology Center
East Parker Boulevard
Louisiana State University
Baton Rouge, LA 70803

\$4,000,000

Funding will provide for an accelerated registration and licensure process for a new, more economical and lightweight liquid sterilant to be used in Iraq and Afghanistan by medical teams operating Forward Surgical Units.

**Southeastern Louisiana Regional Integrated Command Operations Program
Plaquemines Parish Sherriff's Office**

302 Main Street
Belle Chasse, LA.70037
\$3,500,000

Funding will provide for full deployment of a critical communications network that will benefit the state during emergencies by allowing local Emergency Management personnel and first responders at the Parish level, State EMA and Guard assets to communicate and tie into to the Army's Emergency Operations Center at Picatinny Arsenal.

**SHERPA Interoperable Deployable Communications System (IDCS)
Louisiana Army National Guard**

Camp Beauregard
Pineville, LA 71360
\$3,000,000

The SHERPA system will assist the Louisiana Army National Guard during disaster-response events by allowing them to meet their mobile communications needs at battalion to brigade level and reach into hard-to-infiltrate disaster areas.

**Force Protection Boats
U.S. Navy**

200 Navy Pentagon N433
Washington, DC 20350
\$6,000,000

Force protection boats support U.S. maritime forces in littoral-based counter-terrorism operations worldwide, through force protection, harbor defense, protection of Maritime Prepositioning Force (MPF) ships, and coordination with Mobile Inshore Undersea Warfare Units (MIUW) for surveillance operations. In the past, the Navy has purchased Force Protection Boats manufactured by a small business operating in Jeanerette, LA.

Intelligent Integrated Manufacturing System

University Of New Orleans, Rachel Kincaid Vice Chancellor of Government and Community Affairs

2000 Administration Building

New Orleans, LA 79148

\$3,000,000

Funding will be used to develop an integrated manufacturing platform which will increase efficiency in manufacturing processes.

H-60 Blachawk Modernization for the Army National Guard

Programmatic Request, Aircraft Procurement, Army

Increase by \$104,000,000

To fund 5 additional UH-60M utility and 5 additional HH-60M MEDEVAC helicopters for the Army National Guard to enable a more rapid standardization of the Black Hawk fleet.

UH-60 Black Hawk (MYP)

Programmatic Request, Aircraft Procurement, Army

Increase by \$17,000,000

Increased funding will enable the Army National Guard to accelerate the re-capitalization/conversion of their UH-60As and the fielding of new UH/HH60Ms to enable a more rapid standardization of the Black Hawk fleet.

-Transportation-HUD

South Lafourche Airport Corridor Project

Lafourche Parish Government

PO Box 5548

Thibodaux, LA 70302

\$500,000

Project will connect the Lafourche airport to the western side of the bayou for easier access to Port Fourchon. This will support one of the nation's largest energy infrastructure sites.

Highway 23 Elevation for Emergency Route Flood Protection

Plaquemines Parish Government

8056 Highway 23

Suite 200

Belle Chasse, LA 70037

\$10,000,000

Funding would be used to elevate Highway 23 in order to maintain the hurricane evacuation route for Plaquemines Parish West Bank residents and offshore oil support personnel.

Port of South Louisiana Access Roadway Widening, Intersection and Rail Spur Improvements

Port of South Louisiana

171 Belle Terre Boulevard

PO Box 909

LaPlace, LA 70069

\$4,311,215

Funds will be used to improve capacity and safety of the access roadway and intersection that will facilitate the movement of cargo from its docks on the Mississippi River, providing a safer, more direct intersection out of the terminal to I-10, I-55 or US 61, this will move truck traffic out of residential areas and school zones.

Peters Road Bridge and Extension

Plaquemines Parish Government

8056 Highway 23

Suite 200

Belle Chasse, LA 70037

\$111,800

Funding would be used for planning and construction associated with extending Peters Road from Engineers Road in Jefferson Parish to LA-23 in Plaquemines Parish.

St. Charles Industrial Park Land Acquisition

Port of South Louisiana

171 Belle Terre Boulevard

PO Box 909

LaPlace, LA 70069

\$7,000,000

Port of South Louisiana is the largest tonnage port district in the western hemisphere. This project will allow for expansion in St. Charles to provide better access for industries on the West Bank of the Mississippi River.

St. Bernard Port Terminal District Intermodal Facility Improvements

St. Bernard Port

PO Box 1331

Chalmette, LA 70044

\$7,000,000

This project will improve the multi-modal handling of bulk and intermodal cargo in a safe and efficient manner by rehabilitating existing docks.

LA 1 Improvements

Town of Grand Isle

PO Box 757

Grand Isle, LA 70358

\$750,000

Funds will be used to provide for safer pedestrian passage along LA-1 and convert open ditches.

Thibodaux Multi-Purpose Sports Complex

City of Thibodaux

P.O. Box 5418

Thibodaux, LA 70302

\$250,000

The proposed City of Thibodaux Sports Complex would provide a 90-acre indoor/outdoor sports venue on Highway 20 for the residents of Thibodaux and surrounding communities serving a population over 58,000 people annually.

Upland Trail Boardwalk

Woodlands Trail and Park

1112 Engineers Rd

Belle Chasse, LA 70037

\$650,000

Funds will support Woodlands Trail and Park in repairing damage caused by Katrina including improved access for persons with disabilities and small children.

South Lafourche Airport Parallel Taxiway Extension

Greater Lafourche Port Commission

16829 East Main St.

PO Drawer 490

Galliano, LA 70354

\$5,000,000

Completing construction of the parallel taxiway at South Lafourche Airport will enhance safety of operations and help accommodate growth experienced at the port.

LA 1 Project Phase II Design

Louisiana Dept of Transportation and Development

1201 Capitol Access Road

Baton Rouge, LA 70802

\$5,000,000

This funding will go toward completing construction of an elevated portion of LA 1 in Lafourche

Parish, including engineering and design of an elevated road between Golden Meadow and Leeville.

New Iberia Multi-Use Conference Center

City of New Iberia

457 E. Main Street

Room 300

New Iberia, LA 70560

\$750,000

This project consists of the construction of a Multi-use Conference/Operating Center, no such center currently exist in Iberia Parish and this facility would be used for emergency sheltering and community operations.

The Gonzales Health Trail and Nature Center

The City of Gonzales, Louisiana

120 S. Irma Blvd

Gonzales, LA 70737

\$250,000

Funds will be used to develop an outdoor recreation trail to include non-motorized, all-terrain biking, in-line skating, a walking and jogging track, dog park, and appropriate facilities, the Trail will be utilized by the citizens of Ascension, East Baton Rouge, and Livingston Parishes.

-Energy and Water-

Atchafalaya Basin, LA

Atchafalaya Basin Levee District

525 Court St.

Port Allen, LA 70767

\$39,900,000

This funding will be used to supplement the President's request. Additional funds will be used to address dredging for Berwick Bay, revetment repairs, bank stabilization, and lock repairs.

Atchafalaya Basin Floodway System, LA

Atchafalaya Basin Levee District

525 Court St.

Port Allen, LA 70767

\$10,000,000

This project funding will help with flood control purposes, environmental protection purposes, developmental control purposes and public access.

Atchafalaya Basin , LA

Atchafalaya Basin Levee District

525 Court St.

Port Allen, LA 70767

\$10,000,000

This funding will be used for construction within levee system of Atchafalaya Basin.

Grand Isle and Vicinity, LA

Grand Isle Independent Levee District

PO Box 757

Grand Isle, LA 70358

\$850,000

Funds will be used to repair levees in Grand Isle, LA and add erosion control systems.

Bayou Lafourche and Lafourche-Jump Waterway, LA

Port Fouchon

16829 East Main St.

PO Drawer 490

Galliano, LA 70354

\$1,050,000

This funding will be used to maintain the navigation channel at Port Fourchon.

St. Charles Parish Urban Flood Control, LA

Parish of St. Charles

15045 River Road

PO Box 302

Hahnville, LA 70057

\$440,000

The study will investigate methods to reduce flood damages caused by rainfall. Alternatives under consideration include pump stations in the existing hurricane protection levee and interior drainage improvements.

West Bank Hurricane Protection Levee

Parish of St. Charles

15045 River Road

Hahnville, LA 70057

\$3,300,000

This funding will be used to begin construction of hurricane protection levees for interim protection on the West Bank of St. Charles Parish.

West Shore - Lake Pontchartrain, LA

St. James Parish Government

P.O. Box 106

Convent, LA 70723

\$5,600,000

Funding would be used to complete design plans and construction specifications and purchase needed rights-of way to allow the hurricane protection levee to connect from St. John Parish to Ascension Parish.

**Atchafalaya River and Bayous Chene, Boeuf & Black
Port of Morgan City**

800 Youngs Rd
Morgan City, LA 70380
\$36,700,000

Funding would be used to remedy problems caused by fluff and fluid mud and maintain the authorized project depth of 20 feet in the Atchafalaya River Bar Channel, a 16-mile reach of the project in the Gulf of Mexico.

**Reimbursement for Storm Proofing Pump Stations
Parish of St. Charles**

15045 River Road
PO Box 302
Hahnville, LA 70057
\$3,844,917

After Hurricane Katrina several parishes hardened pump stations and built safe houses. These funds would reimburse for those costs.

**Louisiana Coastal Area Ecosystem Restoration, LA
Office of Coastal Protection and Restoration**

450 Laurel Street, Suite 1200
P.O. Box 44027
Baton Rouge, LA 70804
\$19,000,000

Funding will be used for near-term critical restoration projects to reverse the harmful effects of coastal erosion.

**Morganza to the Gulf, LA
Terrebonne Parish Consolidated Government**

PO Box 6097
Houma, LA 70361
\$10,000,000

Funds would be used to begin construction on the hurricane protection system known as Morganza to the Gulf.

**Morganza to the Gulf, LA
Terrebonne Parish Consolidated Government**

PO Box 6097
Houma, LA 70361
\$1,600,000

Funding will go toward continued efforts in the planning, engineering and design of components within the Morganza.

**Master Drainage Plan Implementation
Town of Grand Isle**

PO Box 200

Grand Isle, LA 70358

\$1,250,000

Funds for engineering forced drainage system to work in conjunction with existing authorized levee system; currently Grand Isle's elevation does not allow for traditional gravitational drainage system.

Clean Power and Energy Research Consortium (CPERC)

University New Orleans

2000 Lake shore drive, Administration Building

Room 1004

New Orleans, LA 70148

\$10,000,000

Funds will be used to support the joint effort by multiple universities (including: UNO, Nicholls, LSU, Southern. ULL and Tulane) to develop technologies that provide more reliable and efficient transmission of electricity -including clean energy.

Houma Navigation Canal, LA

Port of Terrebonne

Industrial Boulevard

Houma, LA 70363

\$7,100,000

Funding for operations and maintenance of the Houma Navigation Canal, extending a distance of 38 miles from the GIWW in Houma, to the Gulf of Mexico.

Port of Iberia, LA

Port of Iberia

7400 Leake Ave.

New Iberia, LA 70118

\$1,000,000

Funding toward the completion of a deeper and wider navigation channel to accommodate the transportation of the fabricated structures into the Gulf of Mexico.

Larose to Golden Meadow, LA (Hurricane Protection)

South Lafourche Levee District

17904 Hwy 3235

PO Box 426

Galliano, LA 70354

\$5,500,000

Funds will be used to provide a 100-year level of hurricane protection to the communities located along Bayou Lafourche between Larose and Golden Meadow.

Continuing Authorities Program

Programmatic Request, U.S. Army Corps of Engineers

\$69,700,000

Additional CAP 205 funding would go toward continued construction of levee protection in Lafitte, Jefferson Parish, LA.

-Homeland Security-

Plaquemines Parish Emergency Operations Center

Plaquemines Parish Sheriff's Office

8344 Hwy 23

Belle Chasse, LA 70037

\$2,000,000

These funds will be used by Plaquemines Parish to create a new Emergency Operations Center to maintain a central hub facility to monitor and direct emergency operations in the parish.

St. John Parish Emergency Equipment and Shelter

St. John the Baptist Parish

1801 W. Airline Hwy

LaPlace, LA 70068

\$1,500,000

Funding would be used to prepare the recently-constructed St. John Parish civic center to meet the needs of the aging community during emergencies. The shelter would be hardened to withstand hurricane-force winds, allowing the parish to respond to inclement weather emergencies by providing a short-term shelter for seniors in the community.

-Military Construction & Veterans Affairs-

ASA Replace Alert Complex

NAS JRB New Orleans

400 Russell Avenue

PO Box 50 NAS JRB

New Orleans, LA 70143

\$2,000,000

Funds will be used to upgrade the NAS JRB Alert facility, the Louisiana Air National Guard continues to operate 24 hour alert mission status in support of our nation's homeland defense priorities; the current Alert Facility is comprised of inadequate temporary buildings secured after the events of 11 September 2001 and not a viable solution for long-term alert readiness and support.

Regional Training institute Camp Minden Louisiana

Camp Minden Training Site

Office of the Adjutant General

Camp Beauregard

Pineville, LA 71360

\$6,500,000

Funds will be used to prepare design and construction documents for the RTI to be located at Camp Minden - the Adjutant General's highest priority on the State of Louisiana's Long Range Construction Plan.

-Interior & Environment-

Jean Lafitte National Historic Park and Preserve, Fleming Plantation

The Trust for Public Land

1137 Baronne St

New Orleans, LA 70113

\$2,000,000

Funding would be used to expand the boundaries of the park through Park Service acquisition of the adjacent Fleming Plantation property, among other properties in addition to protecting the popular and historic Berthoud Cemetery and other historic resources, Park Service ownership would allow for expansion of coastal restoration activities that the agency is pursuing on surrounding lands.

Gulf Hypoxia Task Force

Lower Mississippi River Sub-basin Committee on Hypoxia

LSU Energy, Coast & Environment Bldg

Room 1143

Baton Rouge, LA 70803

\$500,000

This funding will go toward fighting the harmful effects of hypoxia in the Gulf of Mexico.

Louisiana Feral Swine Eradication and Control Pilot Program

Louisiana Department of Wildlife and Fisheries/Edmond Mouton

2415 Darnall Rd.

New Iberia, LA 70560

\$1,000,000

Funds will be used to fight the rapidly growing populations of feral swine that are replacing nutria in this ecological niche, feral swine are more prolific and more destructive to our delicate wetlands which protect south Louisiana from hurricanes.

St. Jude, A-Bend, LA-18, and Thibaut Water Distribution System

Ascension Consolidated Utilities District No. 1

304 Chetimatches St.

Donaldsonville, LA 70346

\$1,486,500

The purpose of the project is to extend the existing Ascension Consolidated Utilities District No. 1(ACUD#1) water distribution system to provide water service to approximately 270 residences, 21 commercial establishments and 3 industries.